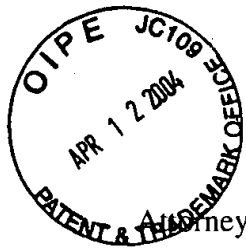


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In Re U.S. Continuation Patent Application Of:
Thomas R. Guimont and Gus Romas

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) Examiner: Robert C. Watson
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) Group Art Unit: 3723
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Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified Application. Applicant is a small entity. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.136 apply. The shortened statutory period of response is set to expire on April 7, 2004. Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in these fees to Deposit Account No. 23-0280. A duplicate copy of this sheet is attached

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Respectfully submitted,

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Dear Commissioner:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed on January 7, 2004, Applicants submit the following Amendments and Remarks. Each of the amendments are consistent with Examiner's indication of the allowable subject matter in the Office Action. Thus, this Reply and the amendments herein should be entered, which will thereby place all then pending claims in condition for allowance.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 12 of this paper.